

In re Application of: Wallaja et al. ATTN: Applicant Branch

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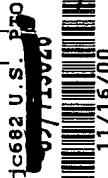
Title: TISSUE PRODUCTS HAVING INCREASED
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The following completes the filing of the above-identified patent application under Rule 53(f)/63:

- [X] Rule 53 signed Declaration enclosed.
- [] This is a Rule 47 filing per attached Petition.
- [] Enclosed: Original signed Declaration with attached specification (including claims) which is a copy of specification/claims originally filed to secure above filing date.
- [] Specification originally filed in non-English language; hence verified translation attached of:
- [] Abstract [] pgs of Specification (only spec. & claims) [] Drawing Figs _____
- [] _____ sheet(s) of formal drawings enclosed: size: [] A4 [] 14" [] 8 1/2 by 11
- [X] Attached is an assignment to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc.
- [] Priority is hereby claimed under Rule 55 and 35 U.S.C. 119 based on prior foreign application(s) No(s). _____ filed in _____ on _____, respectively.
- [] Certified copy (copies) [] attached; [] already filed on _____ in U.S. Application, Serial No. _____, filed _____.
- [X] Attached is the requested return copy of the PTO Notice under Rule 53(f)/63
- [X] Attached: Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet; Information Disclosure Statement and List with references.
- [] Preliminary Amendment:

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

The following is an Information Disclosure Statement for the captioned patent application, pursuant to 37 CFR Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98.

1.[X] Attached hereto is:

a.[X] A list of all materials for consideration per Rule 98(a)(1):
2 page(s)

b.[X] A legible copy of each patent, publication, or other item listed per Rule 98(a)(2), unless not required per Rule 98(c) and/or (d) and as indicated on the attached list(s):
28 item(s)

c.[] For each non-English language item listed, pursuant to Rule 98(a)(3), a concise explanation of the relevance thereof as it is presently understood by the individual designated in Rule 56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of such items:
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a.[X] WITHIN THREE MONTHS of the application filing date or national stage date of entry OR BEFORE the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, which ever event occurs last, WHEREFORE per Rule 97(b) NO filing fee or Rule 97(e) certificate is required.

b.[] AFTER the time periods of section 2.a above, but BEFORE a Final Action OR Notice of Allowance, WHEREFORE per Rule 97(c) submitted herewith is [**CHECK ONE**]:

i.[] Certification per Rule 97(e) OR

ii.[] Filing Fee per Rule 17(p) \$240.00

c.[] AFTER a Final Action OR Notice of Allowance, but BEFORE payment of the issue fee, WHEREFORE per Rule 97(d) submitted herewith is:

i. Certification per Rule 97(e)

ii. Petition: Petition is hereby made under Rule 97(d)(ii) for consideration of the present Information Disclosure Statement; AND

iii. Petition fee per Rule 17(i)(1) \$130.00

3.[] Rule 97(e) Certification; per Rule 97(e), the undersigned certifying party makes the following certification statement [**CHECK ONE**]:

a.[] That each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; OR

- b. [] That no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in Rule 56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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4. [X] DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION: The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any fees in addition to the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting official document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Account No. shown in the heading hereof for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. This statement does not authorize charge of the issue fee in this case.

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